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Agency for Toxic Substances
and Disease Registry

Memorandum

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Subject Health Assessment: Niagara Falls
Groundwater Sampling Results

To Mr. Steve Luftig
Deputy Director
Emergency & Remedial Response Division

I have reviewed the Niagara Falls groundwater sampling results with several technical experts from the Agency For Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia.

Specifically, we discussed the contaminants Cyanide and Vinyl Chloride which were discovered at levels of 904 $\mu\text{g}/\text{l}$ and 100 $\mu\text{g}/\text{l}$ respectively in the middle well cluster. We concluded that since the groundwater is not utilized for drinking purposes by the residents of the community that no immediate health threat exists. We further concurred on your plan to do additional monitoring and attempt to locate the source of the contaminants.

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